

CLERK: I have a motion on the desk, Mr. President. Senator Venditte moves to direct the Speaker to place LR 152 as a special order item for March 20, 1978.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Chair recognizes Senator Venditte.

SENATOR VENDITTE: I so move, Mr. President.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Motion is to.... Did you have a date on that?

CLERK: March 20, Mr. President.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Monday? The same day we start the appropriations bills? Do you want it to go ahead of the appropriations bills? A week from Monday, excuse me. Just so everybody understands what day it is. It's a week from Monday, not next Monday then. Chair recognizes Senator Nichol, then Senator Chambers.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, where is this resolution now? Where would it come up if we were not changing it?

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: It's on the list of General File, just like any bill. It is treated like a bill. So it's like any other bill on General File. If you'll look on your worksheet, Senator Nichol, you'll see where it is located.

SENATOR NICHOL: Well I didn't find it quick like. What I'm getting at is, is this starting something, Senator Venditte? If we are then I want to follow up with one that I'm very interested in, right on the heels of this, that won't get there anyway.

SENATOR VENDITTE: Senator Nichol, I can certainly appreciate your concern. It certainly is not unusual for bills to be passed at the top of General File, or to be placed on Special Order if the Speaker so feels that the issue is of such importance that it needs to be discussed this session of the Legislature.

SENATOR NICHOL: Thank you, Senator Venditte. A resolution like this, I think, would take gobs and gobs of time. I certainly would object to it at this time, moving it up.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Chair recognizes Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature, if you look on your white sheet I think LR152 is on the far right edge, about four lines from the bottom. It's in the nether regions of General File. I certainly am opposed to bringing this resolution to the top. It is going to take considerable time. But I think those who are trying to move it up want that time taken, they want the exposure. It is a good campaign issue. But if it's a serious matter as they are saying, then I don't think it should be exploited in this political fashion. I'm opposed to its being brought up in this fashion. If it is then naturally I have a bill too which I think relates to the entire state, Senator Venditte, the sales tax credit. But I haven't tried to bring that up because I know we're just now getting to the budget bills, we're just now getting the sheet put together where we have our preference bills. I think it would be very unfair to